

# Fraser Valley Council Scoop - December 1, 2023

(To all Active Volunteers, Rovers & Venturers)



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### Upcoming Events and Key Dates (also on Fraser Valley [website](#))

- Western Region Group Commissioners Orientation - January 19-22, 2024 @ Vancouver
- *NEW* Australian Jamboree, Canadian Information Session - January 28 Virtual
- Rovent - February 16-19, 2024 @ Manning Park
- Vancouver Canucks Scout Night - February 17, 2024
- Klondike Derby - March 9, 2024 @ Camp Barnard, Sooke BC
- Cuboree - April 20, 2024 @ Camp McLean
- Beaveree - May 4, 2024 @ Camp McLean

### Development Opportunities

- *NEW* ScoutsTracker online training launched
- St. John's First Aid Training - Updated thru January 2024
- Council Community Learning - January 18, 2024 - Planning for Camp
- FVC/PCC Scouting Skills - February 10, 2024
- Council Community Learning - February 20, 2024 - Volunteer Recruitment
- Council Community Learning - March 20, 2024 - Scoutcraft
- Council Community Learning - April 18, 2024 - Outdoor Cooking I
- Council Community Learning - May 21, 2024 - Outdoor Cooking II

### Capstone Project Opportunity

#### Resources -

- "Scouting Essentials" Online, need to know basics for junior and senior sections
- 2023 Worldwide Jamboree, closes end of Dec
- ADHD Education Day, Dec 11 @ virtual or in person Vancouver

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### **Information Night for Canadian Contingent - Australian Jamboree 2025**

Planning for a Canadian contingent to the Australian Jamboree is well under way!

Expecting there to be a group of approx. 150 youth and scouts from across Canada to attend the 10 day Jamboree event in sunny Queensland, Jan 6-15, 2025 along with a precamp

#### **Sunday, January 28th Virtual information session -**

Fundraising ideas. Travel planning Crest & Necker design submissions,  
8pm EST, 7pm CST and SK, 6pm AB, 5pm PST

[Canadian Contingent AJ2025](#)

Register below to attend the virtual information session and to get the zoom link or to receive more information.

[Register for Virtual Session](#)

## **ROVENT Winter Camp**



## Avalanche Awareness Opportunity

At ROVENT 2024, an Avalanche Canada youth education instructor will provide an introduction to companion avalanche rescue skills in a fun, outdoor learning environment. Please note: This is only an introductory session and is not a comprehensive avalanche course. Space will be limited to approx. 60 participants. Some space available for Scouters as well.

## 50th Anniversary!

**Dates:** February 16-19, 2024

**Location:** Cambie Creek Group Campsite, Manning Park, B.C.

**Who:** Ventures, Rovers, Rangers and Links (4th year Troop Scouts are encouraged to attend as a linking opportunity with a Venturer Company).

[To Register](#)

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## Vancouver Canucks Scout Night February 17, 2024

The Vancouver Canucks are thrilled to offer all Members of the Scouts Canada community a special offer to watch your Vancouver Canucks take on the Winnipeg Jets.

All Scouts who attend the game in uniform will be eligible to receive the 2023/24 Scouts Day Crest!

Purchase 400 tickets through the special Scouts Canada link below, and Scouting members, family and friends can unlock an exclusive Movie Night at Rogers Arena. More details to follow.

[For more information or to purchase tickets](#)

## 22nd Annual Victoria Klondike Derby



The Klondike Derby is a contest requiring teamwork and tests the "Scouting Skills" of Scouts. Teams of 4 to 8 members pull a wagon over a course of approximately 4 km through the woods around Camp Barnard. The team visits ten Klondike "towns" where the "town mayor" assigns the team a particular task or activity. Points are awarded to the team based on how well it performs the task, the speed and the teamwork.

**Date:** March 9, 2024 with option to camp for the weekend

**Time:** 8:45am to 5:00pm

**Location:** Camp Barnard, Sooke BC

**Cost:** \$75.00/team. Includes 10 crests.

[For more information and to register](#)

DEVELOPMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES



### ScoutsTracker Online Training

ScoutsTracker now includes built-in training, so you can develop your expertise and maximize the speed and efficiency with which you carry out both simple and complex section administration tasks.

As you carry out tasks in ScoutsTracker you'll automatically complete training skills, but you can come here to either look up how to do something, or you can let ScoutsTracker recommend some new skills for you to tackle.

As you complete more training skills, you'll automatically advance to the next Stage (just like an OAS!). Note: your stage is based on the total number of skills, which is changing as more training is added. So if you suddenly find you've dropped down a stage, don't worry... just come back here and see what's new!

### **Go to Main Menu/Help/ScoutsTracker Training**

Note: these are just *virtual* awards... so you can't actually buy physical badges!

## **Looking to build some new skills, sharpen existing skills, or pick up some new knowledge while meeting other Scouters?**

Discounts offered for Scout Groups



# **St. John Ambulance**

**Locations across Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland**

[To Register and for more details for Standard First Aid Training](#)



## **Capstone Project Opportunity**

Are you looking for a Capstone Project for the Chief Scout or King's Venturer Awards? Do your Youth have woodworking knowledge or do they have an experienced adult willing to help them?

FVC Summer Camp is looking for individuals or Scout and/or Venturer Patrols to create the woodcrafts for the Youth attending camp each week. Youth would be responsible for creating 80 identical kits of your

own design (we have Scouters with lots of ideas) as well as budgeting for and obtaining supplies. Summer Camp will reimburse you for all supplies and can provide access to the Woodshop at Camp McLean for your project.

Please email [fvcsummercamp@outlook.com](mailto:fvcsummercamp@outlook.com) with any questions you may have.



## Scouting Essentials Online

The Program Support Team is bringing the 'Scouting Essentials' Online beginning Nov 22@7pm ET for 4 weeks.

Junior Section Scouters: Wednesdays,  
Senior Section Scouters: Thursdays.

This is a 4-part successive Workshop Series designed to support you in bringing Scouting concepts into practice to create the solid foundation needed for any Colony, Pack or Troop!

Scouter can sign-up once and you can join us for all of the following:

- **Nov 22/23 -> Routines and Games**
- **Nov 29/30 -> Leadership**
- **Dec 6/7 -> Game-Storming and Saga Adventures**
- **Dec 13/14 -> Bringing it Together and Taking it Further**

*\*You stand to gain the most by attending all 4 sessions, though it's not a requirement to attend all.*

## Registration Links:

[Junior section registration](#)

[Senior section registration](#)



## World Jambowlree 2023

Want to take part in a world wide competition for scouts of all ages? Of course you do!

Here are the basics:

- All sections can take part, there's a separate competition for each section, including scouters.
- The competition will run from January 2023 to the end of December 2023. Entries for the 2023 competition will open in January 2023 and will close at the end of December 2023.
- We'll keep track of who has entered, and from where, put you all on a nice [Global](#) map, scouts love maps.
- You can enter one team, or twenty teams, we don't mind, all for one entry fee.
- At the end of the competition, we add up the scores, see who has won, and publish the results.
- Certificates emailed, and presented at your group with pride!
- **A Great end of year celebration!**

[For more information & to register](#)

## ADHD Education Day



## ADHD Education Day

Hosted By The Provincial ADHD Clinic

Monday, December 11, 2023 – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Chan Auditorium

ENTRANCE 18 - BC Children's Hospital Research Institute (BCCHRI) at B.C. Children's Hospital

To attend In-Person, register via Learning Hub: <http://learninghub.phsa.ca/>  
Registration is free. Each participant must have their own email and password to register

To attend Virtually, register via Zoom: [https://psa.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_UZVahN-dR7G6Uyjb60\\_N-w](https://psa.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UZVahN-dR7G6Uyjb60_N-w)

You must register to attend in-person or virtually.  
Please give yourself lots of time to find parking onsite. See learning hub for location details.

9:00-9:15	Registration
9:15-9:30	Welcome - Joerg
9:30-10:00	ADHD Basics – Dr Kaveh Darabian
10:00-10:45	Parenting a Child with ADHD – Dr Joanna McDermid
10:45-11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00-12:00	ADHD and School – Dr Candice Murray
12:00-1:00	LUNCH BREAK – on own
1:00-1:45	Medication Treatment and Management - Dr Susan Baer
1:45-2:30	ADHD and Sensory Motor Regulation – Miranda Doherty
2:30-3:00	Panel Discussion – all

Please Contact Joerg Taylor-Philippin at [adhdc@cw.bc.ca](mailto:adhdc@cw.bc.ca)  
or 604-875-2345 (ext. 2081) if you have any questions.

[Click here to RSVP for free Zoom Session](#)



# SAFETY WEEK

## Changing Seasons, things to be aware of...

Seasons changing is just one way that our environments can change – what works for a meeting time and place in the summer might not be the safest option in fall or winter. For example, when engaging in nighttime activities such as hiking, camping, games, or any outdoor wide games, adequate lighting is essential to prevent accidents and injuries.

In our example of decreased daylight from summer to winter, days become shorter and it gets dark much earlier. Limited visibility significantly increases the risk of mishaps. In this example of reviewing plans to accommodate a changing environment, why does proper lighting matter?

**Enhanced Visibility:** Good lighting helps you see potential hazards like uneven terrain, obstacles, or wildlife, reducing the risk of trips, falls, or collisions. Those tent guy lines won't be visible at night time, and pose a tripping hazard.



**Injury Prevention:** Adequate lighting minimizes the chances of sprains, strains, or fractures by enabling you to make informed, safe movements.

**Quick Response:** In emergencies, proper lighting allows for quicker and more effective responses, whether it's first aid, navigation, or seeking help.

**Confidence and Comfort:** Well-lit surroundings boost your confidence and comfort, making the experience more enjoyable and stress-free.

***What can Scouters and GCs do to remain vigilant about safety in changing environments:***

Revisit the AAF/ERP for regularly scheduled meetings; are there any new hazards to avoid like icy walkways or slippery wet floors?

- Brainstorm safety tips as a safety moment with youth to ask them to identify hazards for fall and winter that weren't hazards in the spring and summer.
- Will the section be spending more time indoors in close proximity to each other? Illness spreads more easily in these conditions; what can the section do to prevent the spreading of illnesses?
- The temperature outside will be lower; how will the Section come prepared for this hazard?

# SPOTLIGHT

## Rain Bucket Camp 2023





Rainbucket Camp 2023 did not disappoint!

The weather lived up to expectations. Yet despite the rain, 283 participants joined in on the fun at Rainbucket goes to Peachfest!

From sandcastle building, beach volleyball, bobbing for peaches, food eating competition, iron chef, scavenger hunt to riding the river float, and more, everyone had a "peachy" time, including those who braved the food eating competition and its after effects.

Thank you to all the Rovers, Venturers, Scouters and participants for another wonderful Rainbucket camp.



## Career Opportunities

Enjoy making an impact in your career? If so, Scouts Canada might be the place for you. While working here you get the opportunity to make a real impact on the lives of youth in a fast-paced, fun environment.

Employee engagement is our priority to ensure employees' work-life balance and mental health. We offer flexible work arrangements. We believe in feedback to enable teams to work more effectively toward their goals.

Personal growth is important to us which is why we offer our employees skills and professional development opportunities.

Interested in a fun, adventurous, flexible and fast-paced opportunity in the non-profit sector? If so, apply at Scouts Canada today.

[View Opportunities](#)